OUR CONCEPTION OFWORSHIP ENLARGED.

Intro, Of the many who visit Yosemite so few climb to the top. This necessary for a full appreciation. I wondered if there was an ~~xxxx~~ analogy to this in religion.

The Bible full of examples. One will suffice. Let us go back to 740B.C. to the temple at Jerusalem. Among the worshippers one to whom came a vision. Isaiah.

The Lord clothed as King of the Universe.

The seraphim proclaiming,"Holy,holy, holy is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory."

Earthquake and smoke. Isaiah exclaimed," Woe is me for I am undone, because I am a man of unclen lps, and I dwell in the midst of a people of uncleam lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts."

Seraphim touches his lips with fiery coal. Isaiah made clean. (send me."

BWhom shall I send, and who will go for us?" "Here am I,

I. Isaiah's enlarged sense of God.

No longer restricted to Holy of Holies. God's presence filled all the earth.

Isaiah then realized that his own worship and that of his people-their temple worship- was but sham and sin, for the corruption of their daily lives was contrary to the will of God, the God of righteousness.

Jesus Christ gives us this same conception of God, even he who destroyed the temple worship and revealed and made it possible to communicate with God without priest but directly. "Not everyone who saith unto me, "Bord, Lord' shall enter the K.of heaven but he that doeth the will of my Father who is in heaven."

Why do so many leave the church to take up this and that ism? Why are the church people so indifferent to the things of the kingdom? Why so much wars and greed and injustice and lust and consequent suffering?

Do we need an enlarged sense of God? And a consequent sense of our own sinfulness? Are we sure that we have the original

conception of God thru Christ that the early)ns had?

Each generation must learn anew for itself. Each age but a new kindergarten class. While we boast of inheriting two thousand years of Xty, may it not be true that we have less of it today than did the first)ns?

May it not be possible that our daily lives have been corrupted by worldly interests and practices until we care more for the things that perish than we do for the things from above?

II. As a result of the vision Isaiah was called and responded.

And shall ne weas ~~the~~ Christ's Community Church of Vacaville, experience a more exalted conception of wirship than the separate churches have been practicing, and in response to it, shall not we pledge ourselves at the altar of sacrifice and service to lift up to the Christ with cleansed and humble lives until the whole community brot to the same consciousness beholds God in equal measure?

By the purity and personal devotion of its members let the

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Community Church present Christ so truly and intelligently to men that they will accept Him as their own personal savior. May this Community Church plant and cultivate the Christ principles until His power and influence is released in every one of our homes and thru all our organizations such as school, club and lodge.

And the same although before
but the glory of the Lord transformed
Ourselves + our circumstances
are the same as before, but our new
opportunity + renewed dedication
enable us to see the glory of God
made manifest in Christ.